

CHAPTER 522.

(House Bill 293)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 634 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland of 1930, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Laurel", sub-heading "Tax Levy", so as to authorize the levying of not more than Fifteen Cents (\$0.15) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of the assessable property in any one year for garbage collection purposes and providing for the submission of this Act to the voters on petition.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 634 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Laurel", sub-heading "Tax Levy" be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

634. The said Mayor and City Council shall have power to levy and collect taxes in the town, not exceeding for general purposes in any one year, thirty-five cents on each one hundred dollars of assessable property and may also levy not exceeding Fifteen Cents (\$0.15) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of assessable property for the purpose of establishing and continuing municipal garbage collection, and shall also levy the taxes required to meet the interest and redeem all bonds heretofore legally issued, all of which taxes shall be levied during the month of May in each and every year. The taxes so levied shall be due and in arrear on the first day of October succeeding their levy.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if within thirty days after the signing of this Act, there shall be filed with the Mayor of Laurel a petition signed by 30% of the registered voters of the Town of Laurel asking that said Act be referred to a vote of the people of the town, then this Act shall be suspended until after its approval by a majority of the voters, voting either at a special election to be called by the Mayor and City Council or at the next regular election for the officers of said town. The Mayor and City Council are authorized to call such special election at any time and either at such special election or at the regular election, if no special election is called before such regular election, the ballots shall have printed thereon the words "For garbage collection tax" and immediately thereunder the words "Against garbage collection tax" with a square after such words in each case for the X mark of the voters. In the event that at such election a majority of the ballots cast shall be properly marked after the